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RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated February 3, 2009 subjecting Claims 1-23 to

Restriction in the above-identified patent application.

Restriction is required under 35 U.S.C 121 between the following groups of claims:

Species A: Claims 1 - 14, Steps of receiving at least one communication from each of at
least two clients;
Species B: Claims 15-23, Directed to an instrument comprising at least two server logic
modules.

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute Species A, set of claims 1-14 with traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

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